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SUBJECT: KOREA AT 28TH UNGA: NEW YORK CONSULTATIONS

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1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES CONSULTATIONS, WHILE NECESSARILY PRELIMINARY IN NATURE, WOULD BE USEFUL AND SHOULD BE HELD AT AN EARLY DATE. ROK AND GOJ CLEARLY WANT SUCH TALKS, ALBEIT FOR DIFFERENT REASONS AND APPARENTLY ALONG DIFFERENT LINES. TALKS COULD SERVE TO ALLAY SOUTH KOREAN CONCERNS ABOUT WAYS AND MEANS WITH WHICH ITS FRIENDS INTEND TO PURSUE COMMON OBJECTIVES. CONSULTATIONS WILL PERMIT AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE BIDDING AND ASSESS PROBLEMS WE FACE IN ACHIEVING OBJECTIVE OF NON-CONTENTIOUS DEBATE. AT SAME TIME, WE WOULD WISH TO AVOID AT THIS EARLY DATE COMMITTING OURSELVES TO SPECIFIC TACTICS TO BE EMPLOYED, CONFIDENTIAL

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OR ON SPECIFIC RESOLUTIONS TO BE INTRODUCED.

2. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH VIEWS EXPRESSED REFTEL B REGARDING INCLUSION OF AUSTRALIA AND HOPES ROK WILL BE

AGREEABLE TO THIS. IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT AUSTRALIA IS CURRENTLY MEMBER OF SECURITY COUNCIL. IN ADDITION, IT MAY BE INFLUENTIAL AMONG NATIONS UNCOMMITTED OR UNCERTAIN ON THE KOREAN ITEM.

3. EITHER AUGUST 8 OR 9 ACCEPTABLE TO US AS DATE FOR TALKS, BUT FOLLOWING WEEK ALSO SATISFACTORY IF SCHEDULING CONFLICTS ARISE AMONG PARTICIPANTS. WE TENTATIVELY PLAN TO HAVE UNP DIRECTOR STULL AND KOREAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR RANARD TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS AND ASSUME US SIDE WOULD BE HEADED BY AMBASSADORS SCALI AND/OR BENNETT. PLEASE ADVISE WHO WILL PARTICIPATE FOR ROK, JAPAN, UK AND AUSTRALIA. ROGERS

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